

John R. Kasich, Governor Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor Craig W. Butler, Director

June 9, 2014

RE: Hancock County McComb Water Treatment Plant Community Public Water System PWS ID No. OH3200411

Village of McComb Water Treatment Plant Mr. Kevin Siferd, Village Administrator 210 E Main St P.O. Box 340 McComb, OH 45858

Hand Delivery

Dear Mr. Siferd:

The Village of McComb public water system (PWS) has violated Ohio's safe drinking water laws. Specifically, the PWS failed to comply with the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for total trihalomethanes (TTHM) during the third quarter of 2011, all four quarters of 2012, fourth quarter of 2013, and first quarter of 2014. The PWS also failed to monitor disinfection by-products (DBPs) during the scheduled sampling period for first and third quarter of 2013; and has failed to issue multiple required public notifications.

Owners or operators of public water systems that fail to comply with Ohio's safe drinking water laws and regulations are subject to civil penalties of up to \$25,000 per day per violation under Ohio Revised Code Section 6109.33.

To resolve your drinking water violations and avoid possible legal action and civil penalties, it is agreed that the Village of McComb will:

- Within fourteen (14) days of the effective date of this agreement, issue the attached combined public notification for past TTHM MCL and DBP monitoring violations in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-81-32. Submit a copy of the public notice issued and completed verification form to the Ohio EPA, DDAGW-CO, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049, Attn: Ruthanne Flottman.
- Comply with all public notification requirements associated with any future monitoring and MCL violations, in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-81-32.
- 3. Comply with all current and future monitoring schedules as issued by the Director.

- 4. Within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this agreement, submit detail plans to Ohio EPA for the installation of treatment necessary to meet the TTHM MCL.
- Within six (6) months of detail plan approval, complete installation and commence operation of treatment necessary to meet the TTHM MCL, in accordance with detail plan approval.
- Within forty-five (45) days of study approval, complete the Aqua Hawk 217 chemical feed demonstration study and submit the report to Ohio EPA. If you choose to pursue this option, detail plans will need to be submitted to Ohio EPA prior to installation of a permanent feed system.
- 7. By June 30, 2015, complete construction including water circulation equipment and commence operation of the new elevated tower per February 15, 2013 plan approval.
- 8. By June 30, 2016, maintain continuous compliance with the TTHM MCL within the PWS's distribution system, in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-81-12(C).

Sincerely,

Michael G. Baker, Chief

Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

If it is your intent to comply with the safe drinking water laws and regulations in the manner specified, please sign this document and return it to the attention of Ruthanne Flottman at Ohio EPA, DDAGW, Lazarus Government Center, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049, within fourteen (14) days. The effective date of this agreement is the date when you sign this document. Your signature is not considered an admission of guilt, only an indication of your intention to address the violations noted. Ohio EPA reserves its right to seek civil penalties pursuant to Revised Code 6109.33 for the violations described in this letter. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please call Ruthanne Flottman at (614) 644-2752.

Signature

Printed Name

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